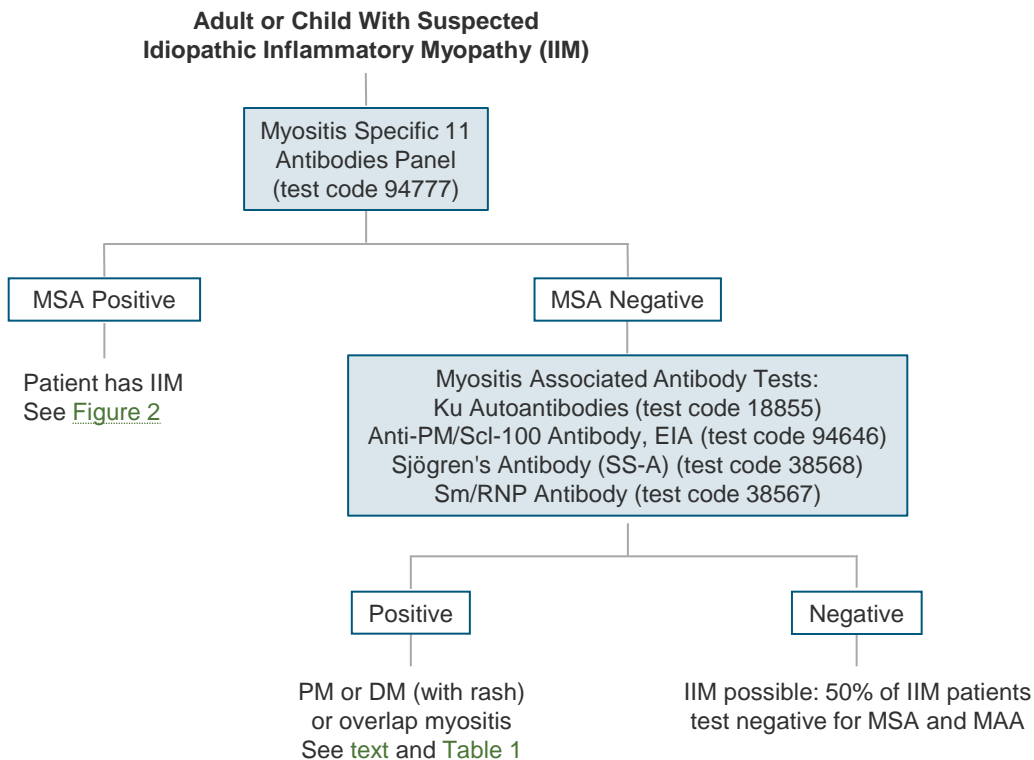


Figure 1. Idiopathic Inflammatory Myopathy: Selecting the Appropriate Laboratory Tests



DM, dermatomyositis; IBM, inclusion body myositis; IIM, idiopathic inflammatory myopathy; MAA, myositis-associated antibody; MSA, myositis-specific antibody; NM, necrotizing myopathy; PM, polymyositis.

This algorithm is intended as a guide for using Quest Diagnostics laboratory tests to diagnose IIM. It is based on references [1](#), [3](#), [4](#), [7](#), and [11-22](#). The algorithm is provided for informational purposes only and is not intended as medical advice. A physician's test selection and interpretation, diagnosis, and patient management decisions should be based on his/her education, clinical expertise, and assessment of the patient.